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2012 ACM Award Winner, Miranda Lambert, Headlines with Darius Rucker

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Salt River Fields Hosts

Second Annual Independence Day Music Festival

Featuring what's Expected to be the Largest Fireworks Show in Arizona

Independence Day Tailgate Party prior to concert offers family fun, food, beer, games, giveaways and fireworks show for the price of parking!

Scottsdale, Ariz. (April. 16, 2012) — Salt River Fields will host its Second Annual Independence Day Music Festival, Tues., July 3, delivering what's anticipated to be the largest fireworks display in Arizona and featuring two Country Music powerhouses – Miranda Lambert and Darius Rucker – on the Mainstage.

Lambert walked away with two coveted 2012 ACM awards this month -- ***Female Vocalist of the Year*** and ***Album of the Year***.

What's more, this 2012 Independence Day edition will feature "cool zones" throughout the event footprint, including a new Tailgate Party on an adjacent field to the south with an air conditioned tent, food, drink, live music, activities for the whole family and direct sightlines to fireworks and the concert big screen – for the entry price of \$10 parking.

"Of all the great events held at Salt River Fields the Independence Day Music Festival is a standout. The celebration of Independence Day should be big, colorful, patriotic and family friendly. This is exactly what the festival delivers," said Dave Dunne, Salt River Fields' general manager. "What better place to celebrate America's freedom than a magnificent baseball facility."

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Independence Day Tailgate Party. A family fun and incredibly affordable Independence Day Tailgate Party will begin at 3 p.m. and continue throughout the night. The patriotic celebration outside the stadium itself will be in an adjacent practice field and will offer a fabulous opportunity to see the massive fireworks show for the price of \$10 parking. An air-conditioned tent will be available to tailgaters for relief from Arizona's summer heat. The tailgate will host live music, food, beer, games and giveaways.

Mainstage Entertainment. The Main Stadium will be transformed, with the help of sponsors Miller Light and Bashas', into a celebration of our country's freedom. Lambert and Rucker will headline the Mainstage, presented by Cricket Wireless. Doors open at 5pm; Mainstage music begins at 5:45pm, with headliners Darius Rucker at 7pm and Miranda Lambert at 8:45pm. Fireworks are scheduled at 10:30pm.

Honoring the Military. Before the concert a Military Appreciation Presentation, sponsored by Team Security, will honor 5 deserving members of the military by sharing their stories. To nominate a member of the military for this ceremony send their name, title, contact information and a short description of their time serving our country to info@saltriverfields.com. Each honoree will receive two tickets to the event.

"It's a well rounded celebration," said Aaron Studebaker, Salt River Fields' director of sales and marketing. "The Independence Day Music Festival really does have something for everyone; a concert featuring some of country music's biggest stars; an affordable tailgate party that offers a wide open view of the night's fireworks; and a tribute to our country's military all within the presence of America's pastime."

Tickets. Tickets are now on sale and available online at www.SaltRiverFields.com or by phone at 800-745-3000. For a chance to win free tickets to the 2nd Annual Independence Day Music Festival, listen to 102.5 KNIX Ben and Matt.

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About Salt River Fields at Talking Stick Resort. Salt River Fields is a central landmark within the emerging Talking Stick Cultural and Entertainment Destination (TSCED). In its second season, the world-class venue has become the crown jewel of the MLB Spring Training season, and serves as Spring Training home to the Arizona Diamondbacks and the Colorado Rockies. Surrounded by some of the world's most beautiful mountain panoramas, the facility also serves as a popular year-round destination for major community events. Visit www.SaltRiverFields.com for the latest information.

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